

Out of the Depths

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at his own expense to sow the fruitful seeds of Odd Fellowship and to extend its beneficence.

His remarkable success in the office of grand secretary was but the sequence of his industry and activity at his home in Paducah, Ky., where upon his initiation in 1880 he found

Mr. Brooks' services as chairman of the building committee that its mural tablet contains his name conspicuously display in imperishable marble as an ever present reminder to further generations of his worth and efficiency.

Since giving up his office as grand secretary of the Odd Fellows in which nearly every office of honor has been conferred upon him, Mr. Brooks has been conducting a real estate and insurance office in the city of brotherly



MR. CHARLES H. BROOKS,
Late National Secretary of the G. U. O. of O. F., now a successful real estate dealer in Philadelphia, Pa.

nine years of service as secretary of the local lodge he had the pleasure of noting an increase of membership from 35 to 150 and such an appreciable increase in financial resources that the order there was enabled to erect an ornate and commodious structure at a cost of \$5,000. The local membership entertained so high an estimate of

love." With him are associated some of the most prosperous and public spirited citizens of that city, and the same measure of success which has ever attended him has availed to put business upon a sound financial basis and to maintain the confidence and loyal support of that city and of the State of which it is the metropolis.

GRAND LODGE, G. U. O. of O. F.

Odd Fellows in Annual Session—An Important Change.

District Grand Lodge, No. 20, of the District of Columbia, convened in annual session Tuesday evening, Deputy Grand Master Jacob B. Askins presiding. The B. M. C. that convened in New Haven, Conn., October 7 to 10, 1902, passed a law that district grand lodges in the States and Territories shall meet biennially, beginning at their usual time in 1903, and during the years they do not convene the district executive committee shall be vested with full power and authority to hear and determine appeals in the same way and manner that annual

meetings of the District Grand Lodge might do, and district Grand Lodge officers shall hold office two years, beginning in 1903. Further, that the district Grand Lodges shall meet in such years as the B. M. C. does not meet, and shall not collect more than 10 cents annual tax from each member.

Committees were appointed, including one to revise the District Grand Lodge laws so as to provide for biennial sessions.

District Grand Master J. B. Askins read his annual address. The reports of the grand secretary and grand treasurer were submitted and referred to the auditing committee. J. Wilmore Davis, delegate to the Odd Fellows' Hall Association, submitted his report which was received and referred to a special committee.

LEGAL ANNOUNCEMENT.
Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, holding a Probate Court...
No. 11665, Administration.
THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICES That the subscriber, of the District of Columbia, has obtained from the Probate Court of the District of Columbia, Letters of Administration on the estate of Richard Bruce, late of the District of Columbia, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, legally authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the 8th day of September, A. D., 1904; otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 8th day of September, 1903.

WILLIAM H. UNDERDUE,
Anacostia, D. C.

Attest:

JOHN R. NOUZER,
Register of Wills for the District of Columbia; Clerk of the Probate Court.

JOHN W. PATTERSON, Attorney.

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